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My desk was flooded with telegrams from Chambers of Commerce, bankers and stock men, and other reputable citizens, praying for protection all along our 1,200 miles of frontier. The Federal Government had only sixty troopers at Brownsville to cover more than two-thirds of that long border. When I rushed the Texas State troops down there, stationing a company at each of the principal border towns. I instructed them not to cross the river, nor in any way to violate the neutrality law, but at all costs to protect the lives and property of Texas people.

Secretary of War Garrison telegraphed me that he thought it unwise to have two military forces occupying the same territory under separate commanders and suggested that I withdraw the Texas troops when he sent an equal number of regulars to replace them at every place where our troops were stationed.

Encourage Bandits

I understand they had everything prepared at Washington to have men indicted by a Federal grand jury and put in a Federal prison on the assumption that I meant to invade Mexico—a palpable absurdity which only men utterly ignorant of the situation could have entertained. It is a fact which the whole country does not know that when our Texas troops arrived in Brownsville the Mexican commander at Matamoros, across the river, offered to surrender that city to the troops of the United States cavalrymen. The commander at Matamoros evidently believed the Texas troops meant to take the city and thought the United States troops were more friendly than the Texans. The Washington conception of our business on the border was as ridiculous as that of the Mexican commander.

Wilson and Bryan have stood by encouraging one gang of bandits after another, while the people were being butchered all over Mexico, while the best American interests in that country were being confiscated and shot to pieces, and today the Mexican chaos is worse than at any time since Madero was assassinated.

Villa is the dictator of the country and I understand that all he wants is to be chief of police of the City of Mexico with control of the gambling concessions in the cities of Mexico and Juarez.

Aid To Disorder

Our Government has kept England and Germany from restoring order in Mexico and itself has done nothing but contribute to the disorder and lawlessness by its vacillating "watchful waiting" policy—if it can be called a policy. The proportioned interests of Mexico and the big exploiters of Mexican resources have got control of the situation absolutely and the same interests have got the ear of our Government at Washington.

The Administration's anti-trust laws are beatifically fakes so far as protecting the people from trust oppression is concerned. These laws please nobody so well as the Standard Oil, the Steel and other great trusts.

I believed at first that the Federal reserve banking act was the Administration's one meritorious achievement, but now bankers tell me it is going to prove a failure. The control of the system in practice appears to rest in New York City instead of at Washington.

I am fully convinced the national election of 1916 will end the Democratic regime. The policies of the Democratic National Administration have wholly failed either to curb monopolies or lower the cost



Dr. J. S. LOCK

We present herewith the photograph of Dr. J. S. Lock who needs no introduction, as he is possibly the best known physician in the State. Dr. Lock has had quite an experience as a farmer, then he turned his attention to the medical profession, and took a course in Surgery.

He has been elected twice as a member of the Board of Councilmen of this city; and for the past two years has been on the Board of State Sanitary Inspection, and has been invited to discuss the Hookworm in many of the important cities.

He is being talked of considerably, and in fact is being urged to make the race for Representative in the next Legislature of Kentucky, and in the event he should announce he will make a vigorous campaign.

of living for the people, and they have materially contributed to deprive millions of wage earners of employment.

Stood in Way of South

The Administration valorized \$20,000,000,000 worth of corporate securities owned in the North and East by a Treasury Department order to national banks to loan money on listed securities at not less than the closing quotations of July 30, 1914, but the same Administration when asked to allow the people to use a quarter of a billion dollars of their collective credit for two or three years to save them from losing \$500,000,000 on their cotton crop, regarded valorization as violation of sound government.

The President stood in the road and condemned the South, which made him, to heavier loss and more widespread misery than it ever has known in three generations. He vindicated an obsolete theory of political economy, but he mightily near ruined the country doing it.

I raised among my personal friends in Texas more than \$10,000 for the Wilson campaign fund and the only favor I asked of him was that he appoint men who would aid the Texas State government to enforce law and order along the Mexican border. It was my earnest desire to assist in making the Democratic Administration a success, but I would not sacrifice the honor of my State, nor the welfare of her people to win the favor of any Administration.

At no time have I failed to get courteous treatment from the leaders of the Mexican revolution. I sympathize with the Mexican people but I also sympathize with Americans who have property rights in Mexico that ought to have been protected.

Chas. H. Baker, a former citizen of this city, who has been absent for the past 16 years spent Xmas holidays with relatives here. Mr. Baker will be remembered as instructor of old Barbourville Brass Band. He is the inventor of the four valve corset.

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CHRISTMAS AT SOLDIER'S HOME.

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Steps Will Be Taken to Improve the Amusement Features For The Veterans.

Mountain Branch, N. H. D. V. S., Dec. 23.—The usual Christmas festivities will be in order, and the day observed at this branch of the National Homes for Disabled Volunteer Soldiers Dinner at twelve o'clock, and an extra good bill have been provided. Music will be furnished by the home band during the dinner hour. The total membership at this branch, this season, is now near 1,600, showing that the fine climate and water, etc., are all appreciated by the old boys of the early sixties. Following is the Christmas dinner menu:

Stewed Oysters
Celery Cranberries
Roast Turkey, Appalachian Style
Giblet Sauce Sage Dressing
Escaloped Tomatoes
Baked Sweet Potatoes, Bean Salad
Baked Apples Mince Pie
Oranges Coffee.

On festive occasions here, the decorations are in the hands of Comrade Campbell, whose artistic taste finds expression like an expert that he is; flags, bunting, greenery, shields and bought galere, adorn the walls of the general mess hall, like the ancient halls of Montezuma one reads about.

On January 2nd, the noted Vogel's Minstrels are announced to give a performance here in Memorial Hall. This celebrated organization is well known throughout the country, and draws large houses.

It is general understood that it was the opinion of the new board, as a whole, that some immediate steps should be taken to improve the amusement situation at this branch. This is encouraging, and there is no doubt but the whole soldier membership of the home will be appreciative of any efforts made to secure additional entertainments. There has been little in the way of amusements here during the past twelve months, and even the road shows that were to play at this home appears to have cancelled for some reason. The other homes are located near large cities and the

members are not as dependent upon the home for amusement, as the members of this home. It is to be hoped we shall soon realize in a very material manner what now appears to be the purpose of the new board, to improve the amusement conditions here.

—EXCHANGE.

THE CHURCHES

Baptist Church Service.

Rev. L. W. Russell, the new Pastor, will arrive here sometime this week, and will preach at the Baptist Church Sunday morning and evening. Sunday School at 9:30. A. M. Prayers Meeting each Wednesday evening at 7 P. M.

Christian Church.

The usual services will be held at the Court House next Sunday. The subject of the forenoon sermon will be "Borrowing Trouble". The subject for the evening will be "John the Baptist and His Mission". All are cordially invited. Let us begin the year 1915 with a full attendance.

J. W. Ligon, Minister.

M. E. Church.

Sunday school at 9:30 a. m., A. M. Decker Superintendent. Regular morning and evening services will be observed with special music at both services. Everybody cordially invited.

E. R. Overley, Pastor.

Church Conference.

Rev. E. R. Overley will hold Quarterly Conference at Trace Branch January 10, 1915. Everybody is cordially invited to be present. A special invitation is extended to all the members.

W. F. Gregory, Pastor

Notice to Stockholders

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the NATIONAL BANK OF JOHN A. BLACK will be held in the Directors Room of said Bank, on Tuesday, January 12th, 1915, at 10 o'clock a. m. for the purpose of electing a Board of directors for the ensuing year and transacting any other business that may legally come before it.

J. R. Jones, Cashier

BRANDS WILSON

Gov. Colquitt, of Texas, Says Work of Administration is Consummate Failure in American History.

Foreign Policy Held to Have Been Imbecile; Repeal of Tariffs, Tariff and "Watchful Waiting" Scored.

(By O. B. Colquitt, Governor of Texas.

Houston, Tex., Dec. 26.—The Wilson Administration has been the greatest failure in the history of the presidency.

The South is a land literally flowing with milk and honey; it has made one of the biggest and best crops in its history, and yet because of the utter incompetency of the men in charge of the Government its business is prostrated, its credit is impaired, and thousands of its people are starving.

The Administration's tariff law was pledged to lower the cost of living and it has had the contrary effect. By putting raw material on the free list and keeping the protective tariff on manufactured goods it has condemned American farmers by hundreds of thousands to penury and has enabled the manufacturers, after getting their raw materials cheaper, to charge higher prices for their goods, which they have done.

Hides were free listed and shoes have gone higher. This is true of virtually every single item similarly treated in the Administration Tariff law. The American farmer gets less for his raw materials; the American workman pays more for the finished product, and both are robbed of further enrich the protected manufacturing trusts and combines.

"Foreign Policy Imbecile"

The Administration's foreign policy has been imbecile. It has allowed England to dictate conditions as to cotton shipments to European countries that enabled English spinners to rob the American growers of half the value of their crop. England stopped American shipments until the English spinners had bought their supply at 6½ cts a pound and stored it in Texas

and other Southern warehouses.

Then England consented to declare cotton not contraband and France followed suit a day or two later. Our Government weakly submitted to England's dictation, playing into the hands of the English spinners and betraying the American cotton growers as completely as if this country were an English vassal state.

If I had been President I would have served notice on England's premier that our foreign trade in cotton and other noncontraband commodities was going forward with or without England's consent, and, if necessary, I would have sent American ironclads to England's door to enforce that notice.

Penama Tariffs Repeal

The Administration's repeal of the Panama Tolls Exemption Law in violation of the party's national platform was another weak surrender to England. If free tolls for American ships had not been repealed, hundreds of American-owned ships flying a foreign flag would have come under the American flag to get the benefit of the exemption and we would to-day have an American merchant marine competent to carry our goods to foreign markets. We have no such merchant marine and to supply it the Wilson Administration is to spend the taxpayers' money buying a subsidized national shipping service.

The Wilson-Bryan management of the Mexican affair has been an egregious failure. They landed an American army in Vera Cruz to force Huerta to salute the flag and have brought it back without getting the salute. They now ask Congress to appropriate more than \$500,000 to pay the expenses of the ridiculous expedition. For what did it accomplish?

It set all Mexico aflame against the Americans, not only in Mexico, but in Texas, where all along the north bank of the Rio Grande there are ten Mexicans to one American. It brought on a reign of terror all along the Texas border, so that when the Texas Government refused to afford protection for our people in their own State, I was forced to send 1,200 Texas troops down there to give it.

Bandits Raid State

Mexican bandit gangs were crossing the border into Texas raiding and terrorizing our scattered people. Women and children were huddled together in brick houses, menaced with murder and worse.